Dear Ed:

Thanks for the 58-5417. (It doesn't look like it's growing, but it's only a few hours).

Ed, you must know (if you were not the primum movens) about Stanford's bid for me, which I have just gotten from Twitty. The only reason I'm in any doubt, and am writing to you now, is that Twitty said you were away most of the fall, and we want to be sure to have a chance to talk to you. Will you be in Palo Alto next week?

Our immediate plans are described in the enclosed, which I've just written. If we can adjust our plans so as to be able to see you this trip, please let us know. If not, we'll try to find some other way, providing you can give us some idea of where you are likely to be.

We feel something like The Aristotelian ass, or is/Buridan's donkey? That one's supposed to have starved to death, which would be a long-drawn out process for us.

Hoping to see you soon,

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg